

KINDERGARTEN FOR FORT SHAFTER MUCH HELPED BY BENEFIT DANCE

Administration Building Scene
of Pretty Event Last
Night

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)
FORT SHAFTER, Aug. 23. — The Administration building of Fort Shafter was the scene last night of a happy and pretty event, when both the non-commissioned officers and the enlisted men helped dance, the proceeds for a splendid cause—the institution of a kindergarten for the children of the post, in the care of a committee consisting of Mrs. Ernest Ely, Mrs. Breitfield and Mrs. Bush. These women have worked most valiantly to help Mrs. George P. Bush, the future instructor of the school, both to plan and to carry to a successful conclusion this social event for the benefit of the children. Mrs. Bush deserves much credit both for realizing this great need, which existed, but which could not be remedied by anyone under existing conditions.

Mrs. Bush and her friends labored industriously and patiently with the decorating of the assembly room with flags, palms and royal purple bougainvillea, and deserve much credit both for the beautiful effect and the taste displayed, which resulted in the admiration of all who were present.

The music for the occasion was furnished most gladly by the members of the 2d Infantry band, and much of

the pleasure of the occasion was the result of their splendid harmonies under the leadership of Assistant Band Leader Novak.

The refreshments were under the care of Mrs. Cohen and Mrs. Rogen, and added much to the festivities of the evening. The rooms of the officers' club were also placed at the disposal of the dancers and the adjutant's office was employed as well as a cloak room.

It was announced at the dance that as a result of the large number present and the certainty of the money now being available for supplies of books and other school necessities the kindergarten would open about September 15, and as the post exchange council has approved the request of Mrs. Bush for the use of the Amusement hall as an available building, every obstacle will now be removed and the younger children of Fort Shafter will be taken care of from an intellectual standpoint.

Everyone has helped with the project to the extent of his or her ability, and while all bought tickets, many were so unfortunate as to be unable to attend.

Mrs. Bush and the committee which so ably assisted her are to be congratulated not only upon the success of the occasion but also for their spirit and willingness displayed in a cause so dear to all the children of Fort Shafter, and their education.

Bathing-Trunks to Be Defended; Poem To Be 'The Prudes'

P. Maurice McMahon Gains
Inspiration When "Bawled
Out" on Beach

P. Maurice McMahon, poet, Irish dancer, raconteur and traveler, announces the early publication of a poem entitled "The Prudes."

Inspiration for this poem, which is going to flay prudery in as bitter terms as the McMahon pen can compass, was gained yesterday afternoon at Waikiki when the poet who was taking a swim for himself in a pair of bathing trunks, was accosted by one woman, two men and a couple of children, all of whom proceeded, he said today, to "bawl him out" for not wearing enough raiment.

McMahon, who is neither giant nor heavyweight, says that the men were about twice his size and one of them waved a large fist under his nose, declaring "I am the law." McMahon struck a attitude of calm defiance, arms folded, registered moral courage and faced the other two fearlessly.

"Why should I wear more clothes," he asked.

"Because," said the larger of the two, "you haven't enough on."

"That is as you look at it," the poet answered. "Perhaps the evil is in your minds. You should rid yourself of such thoughts. Now, we were all born with even less clothing than I am wearing at present and—"

But they shouted even louder, he reports, and then went away.

McMahon had paddled in his canoe from his place on the beach down to a spot not far from the Hau-Tree. His trunk, he admits, does not cover a large expanse of his person, but they are adequate, he maintains, and adds that attention might be turned elsewhere on the matter of scanty suits.

"I am going to write a poem on 'The Prudes' and explain my point of view," he said. Whether he will appropriately clothe his thoughts in verse, he did not reveal.

LETTERS

REPLYING TO "FOLLOWER OF
THE FLAG."

Troop C, 4th Cavalry,
Schofield Barracks, H. T.,
Aug. 22, 1916.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin:
Sir: In tonight's issue of the Star-Bulletin there appears a letter written by "A Follower of the Flag" in which he expresses a decided grudge against the spirit of army officers as displayed toward enlisted men.

This is the first time I have ever essayed the role of "Pro Bono Publico," and don't expect my letter to get further than the waste basket; but as an enlisted man I am going to write a protest to such letters as the one in question being allowed to go unchallenged.

"A peaceful nation makes but little history," and the contented element in the army is seldom heard from. There are two classes, however, who are constantly howling: There is the "guardhouse lawyer." He is "hard" when he first leaves the slums to follow the flag and is just going through the "softening" process, or else is on the winding road that leads to Alcatraz. His opinions have but little weight. His appearance is against him and he seldom comes in contact with people who are really worth while.

The class who do really injure the service are the letter writers. Chester shaves with a safety razor and smokes cork-tipped coffin nails. He has left the "dear old home" and enlisted with the ultimate aim of "going up" for a commission. He is a gentleman (for he says so), and is very sensitive. It hurts him to be treated as a subaltern by any one. I once heard a dozen of them rave long and loud over the fact that a certain public speaker had actually addressed his audience as "Ladies, Gentlemen and Soldiers of Schofield Barracks." They thought it had implied that they were not gentlemen. Wasn't it awful!

I shall not attempt to interpret just what "Follower of the Flag" means to imply when he cites for the reader a certain paragraph which has to do with an officer's conduct toward enlisted men, but I will say that army officers are gentlemen and treat enlisted men as most of us want to be treated.

Personally I feel that I have my dignity as an enlisted man to uphold and do not want officers to impose upon it. My experience leads me to the conclusion that officers who keep their distance recognize the fact that a hair divides the difference 'twixt the two and the officer who would judge to be a man whose actions savor of patronage. He is not honoring me a bit; but he thinks he is.

As to the order about vehicles keeping off the road in front of the 25th Infantry officers' quarters, it applies to civilians as well as to enlisted men and perhaps no one has any business on the road except the ones who live there.

But this is too trivial a subject to discuss. Dear "Followers of the Flag," we are not, as good soldiers, to discuss the merits of an order coming from our superior and then obey it willingly. The point is this: You've got to do it!

Yours sincerely,
A JOHN.

WILL SELL RAPID TRANSIT CO. STOCK AT AUCTION

Stock of the Rapid Transit Company will be the next to go under the auctioneer's hammer. As in recent auction sales of securities the occasion of the sale is stock dividend issue. As in the other cases, fractional shares have resulted from the new issue and these have been combined

PLAN MIDKIFF TO BE COMMANDANT OF CADET CORPS

Oahu College May Dispense
With Army Officers in Military
Training of Students

Frank E. Midkiff, athletic director, will be the permanent instructor in military tactics at Oahu College in place of a regularly detailed army officer if plans now being discussed by the trustees of the school are adopted.

Midkiff, who recently returned to Honolulu after a month spent in the citizens' training camp at Monterey, Cal., under the direction of the War Department, says that the opinion prevails that the military instruction at Punahou cannot be made the success expected of it with the constant changing of instructors detailed from the army.

With this opinion in view, Midkiff says that, if the plans work out and are adopted, he probably will be placed in permanent charge of the military instruction, assisted from time to time by sergeants from the regular army.

"The sergeants would be called upon for special instruction in target practice, range and signalling," says Midkiff. "Another would train the buglers. From time to time a hospital sergeant would teach first-aid, methods of taking care of the injured and problems relating to the general health of the cadets."

"It is my plan to properly combine and relate the military training with athletics so that the cadets would get work in each of these branches. There should be enough athletics to keep each cadet, the proper control of his body, and he should learn enough about sports, reason by season, and enough of the military work to teach him proper discipline, respect for orders, promptness, precision and exactness."

"These are qualities which many parents in Hawaii understand that their sons lack and need. Parents have asked Punahou to supply that sort of training which they are unable to give in the homes, and Punahou is going to do it."

"The hard job will be to make out a proper schedule of time and distribute the work among the boys so that the military training and the physical culture may progress successfully, and so that the current sports, such as football, track athletics and baseball, may be kept up to the usual high Punahou standard."

Midkiff says he hopes to have some assistance in this work from Godfrey L. Bergman, the new head of the boarding department at Punahou, who was a classmate of Midkiff at Colgate university in 1912.

"He is a fine athlete and mixer with the boys," says Midkiff, "and should be a big help in keeping things moving fast."

Punahou will open for the fall term on September 11 and the work of organizing the cadet companies will begin as soon after that date as convenient to all concerned. Promotions will not be made for several weeks, as there will be considerable drill and other work before the officers are finally named.

The new officers will hold their commissions for the entire school year. The commissioned officers will be chosen from the senior class, sergeants from the junior class and corporals from the sophomores. All freshmen boys will be privates.

FORBES SAYS HE WILL PAY BILLS IF NOT ALLOWED

"I'll pay them myself if the attorney general rules the bills cannot be legally paid by the territory," said Charles R. Forbes, chairman of the public utilities commission today, relative to bills for cablegrams Auditor J. H. Fisher is holding up on the ground that they are Forbes' private messages and cannot be classified as public business.

"The morning paper made up about nine-tenths of that story this morning," said Auditor Fisher today. "I said a few words to a reporter and he cooked up the rest. I haven't asked any opinion from the attorney general. There's nothing to get excited about."

Deputy Attorney General Arthur G. Smith said no opinion had been requested by the auditor from the attorney general's office. Fisher is holding up cables sent to the mainland by Chairman Forbes to Senators O'Gorman and Shafroth and Attorney J. L. Coke, as he believes the messages cannot be classified as public utilities business.

INFANT DEATHS SHOW DECREASE

NEW YORK, N. Y., Aug. 24.—With only 39 deaths and 109 new cases reported today, the health department is much encouraged at the prospect of checking the alarming epidemic of infantile paralysis. It is felt that very possibly the worst of the epidemic is over.

To form a 4-share block, James F. Morgan Co. are the auctioneers and Saturday at noon is the time announced.

OAHU AVIATION TO BE AIDED BY BIG KITE STATION

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enough to get above the strata of surface winds. The local officers then sought the aid of the meteorologist in charge of the Honolulu station, but he could only tell them what could be done, but could not furnish the material for doing the work.

Prof. Marvin interested.

The assistance of Prof. Charles F. Marvin, chief of the weather bureau, was next sought and the wizard of the weather at once saw the value to science of such an observatory here, as the data now obtainable on the subject of the trade and anti-trade winds in the western tropics is confined to a few minor observations made by employees of the Dutch meteorological station at Batavia, Dutch East Indies.

It was pointed out by Meteorologist Hamrick of the local office, in an interview with a representative of the Star-Bulletin, that the establishment of an aerial research station here would be of immense value to the army, particularly if the proposed school of aviation becomes a reality.

The aviator would be able to have first-hand information as to the condition of the air at the various altitudes and thus be able to tell whether or not by going to certain heights he could reach the region of calm air. In other words, he could tell how high it would be necessary to go in order to escape any "air pockets" due to local atmospheric disturbances. In the same way data for use in plotting the flight of mortar shells would enable the gun commander to make hits instead of the mysterious misses now so often reported.

Apparatus Needed.

"The necessary apparatus would include ten or twelve of the large Hargrave-Marvin kites," said Mr. Hamrick, "and five or six miles of steel piano wire, as well as an electric reel and the necessary instruments for making the records." These great reels alone weigh nearly two tons. The box kites are of the type perfected by Prof. Marvin, who has taken an active interest in the bureau's kite work, and in order to get sufficient lifting power one kite is sent up as far as it will go—that is until it has lifted all the steel wire it can; then a second kite is attached and as it goes up it enables the first to go still higher, since the weight of the lower wire is carried by the lower kite. In this way eight or even ten kites are used to lift this long coil of wire.

Fort Kamehameha has been selected as the most favorable of several sites considered for the proposed research station, owing to the facility of obtaining electrical power for the big electric reels and also on account of the importance of cooperation with the Coast Artillery and Aviation Corps of the army.

The far-reaching importance of the work of such an institution can hardly be realized by the layman unless he is familiar with the work that is done at these stations which the weather bureaus of this and other governments maintain.

For many years the government has operated local stations covering all parts of the country for the determination of local weather conditions. These include the temperature, air pressure, amount of rainfall, direction of wind, state of weather, current wind velocity and maximum and minimum temperatures since last observation. From a knowledge of these conditions at all parts of the country the bureau officials are able to predict with probable certainty the weather conditions that will follow at a given place.

But these observations as to temperature, air pressure and wind velocity apply to conditions at the earth's surface only, and as has been said these are sometimes vastly different from the conditions which exist at an elevation even of a few hundred feet. In order to determine the action of the air currents in these higher altitudes the scientist must send a kite or captive balloon into these lofty regions carrying some instrument for recording the conditions that exist there.

Only One Aerial Station.

There is at present only one aerological research station in the United States, that at Drexel, Nebraska. This station was established in 1914 after the similar one at Mt. Weather in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, had been abandoned.

The cause for the change of location was the fact that the storm path in the United States is from the Northwest south through Idaho and Wyoming, then east over the central states, until the mountains of Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania are reached when the storm again turns north and sweeps over New England and on across the Atlantic.

Now one of the important functions of this station, and all other departments of the weather bureau, is not only to study the action of the storms, but to predict the time they will occur, and so enable the farmer and fruit grower to prepare for them.

For this reason it was decided that it was necessary to get the data before the storm had swept over the country rather than afterward. So the completed Virginia station was abandoned and a new one established near Omaha, Nebraska.

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19 PEDAGOGUES PASSENGERS ON TUESDAY'S BOAT

Old and New Teachers Coming
From Mainland to Take Up
Work in Public Schools

When the Wilhelmina arrives next Tuesday it will bring to Honolulu 19 teachers in the public schools of the territory. Some of the teachers have been spending their vacations on the mainland, while others, recently appointed to positions in the islands, are "maihinis."

A large percentage of the public school teachers went to the coast this summer for their vacations. The following list arrive in the Wilhelmina:

K. M. Barager, new, assigned to the Kilo high school; William Karlin, new, assigned to the McKinley high school; Miss E. Morrison, Normal school; Miss M. Becker, new, assigned to Mountain View; Mrs. J. P. Dias, principal at Aiea; Misses Ethel and Willie Burgin, new, assigned to the Normal school; Miss M. Kluegel, Normal school; Miss Mabel Denike, Kaula; Miss Vera Henshaw, new, assigned to Waiolu.

Mrs. M. J. Chamberlain, principal at Kilauea, Kaula; Miss V. R. Castanha, Waiolu; J. P. Dias, Aiea; Miss M. Christopherson, principal at Hanalei, Kaula; Miss Blanche Mast, new, assigned to the Maul high school; Miss Elizabeth C. Clark, Kalihi-waena; Miss Clothilde Dias, Liliuokalani; Miss Augusta Funkler, new, unassigned; Miss Mary Crutchfield, new, unassigned; Miss D. Stendel, new, assigned to Kaula high school.

GOVERNOR WILL AID IN PLAN FOR KALAKAUA DAY

Governor Pincham is willing to aid in the celebration of Kalakaua Day, November 16, and so told a delegation which called on him this morning.

Acting under instructions of the executive committee of the Kalakaua Day celebration committee Mayor Lane, Col. C. P. Lauka and A. P. Taylor conferred with the governor on various aspects of the celebration of the day. They asked that he invite representatives of the planters' association, chamber of commerce, Hawaiian societies, Chinese and Japanese merchants' associations and other bodies to a conference in his office next week.

The governor expressed himself as willing and requested them to put their wishes in written form. Mayor Lane is doing so this afternoon.

Agony of Leg Sore Stopped By D. D. D.

Woman Tells Pitiful Story

"I am the mother of 12 children. I took a varicose ulcer on my leg at the birth of last child five years ago. I used every ointment that is made. I was laid up for nearly five weeks with a doctor attending me who did nothing but treat those kind of things. Doctors told me to lie in bed, but where there is a big family one cannot do that. Then I heard about D. D. D. and as I used to tear my leg at night until it was a bleeding mass, I determined to try a bottle. I can't tell you the ease it gave me. I never used to sleep for the pain. Many a time I nearly fell with the dizziness in my head from want of sleep.

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